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## TROLLEY TO MOUNT UNION.

Project to Build a Line from Chambersburg Across the Mountains. The Chambersburg Repository of Friday, has the following:

There is a movement on foot now to give to Chambersburg another through trolley line that will be a great convenience to the citizens of this community as well as to the public generally.

From here to Mount Union, Huntington county, by rail, it is about 135 miles, Mount Union being in the neighborhood of eighty miles west of Harrisburg. From Chambersburg to Mount Union, by way of McConnellsburg, it is but about forty miles, or less. Thus, by the latter route, the distance between Chambersburg and Pittsburg is reduced over ninety miles.

The project in contemplation is to build a trolley line from Chambersburg to Mount Union via St. Thomas, Fort Loudon, McConnellsburg, Burnt Cabins, etc. The line is to be constructed for fast travel and will be equipped with large heavy cars in order to make speed and to compete with team roads. Some of the leading business men of the State are back of the scheme and they are in earnest. They will make an effort to procure a right of way on the turnpike to McConnellsburg, but should they fail in this they will buy the land necessary upon which to construct the road. The matter is now getting into good shape and an application will be made to the State Department at Harrisburg for a charter. This application will include steam and electricity as a motive power so that the road can be used for freight also, in case the legislature next year declines to accede to the wishes of the people in giving trolley companies the right to carry freight.

The project has been kept rather quiet up to the present time but it has leaked out and we give it as we hear it. Let the hue come. It will be a great convenience to the public generally, and will open up a field now without any railway system.

## FOREST ACADEMY WON.

Mont Alto Boys Defeated Gettysburg at Basketball.

Mont Alto, Feb. 19.—On the morning of Saturday, February 17, the basketball team of the State Forest Academy defeated Gettysburg College independents in the fastest game of the season by the score of fifteen to ten. The line-up:

Forest Academy—Dague, forward; Bietsch, forward; Evans, center; McNeal, guard; Morton, guard.

Gettysburg—Huber, forward; Rockay, forward; Singmaster, center; Enterline, guard; Muhlenburg, guard.

Score at end of first half, Forest Academy, 2; Gettysburg, 7. Goals—Evans, 1; Dague, 2; Bietsch, 3; Singmaster, 2; Huber, 1; Rockey, 1. Goals from offenses—McNeal, 3. Offenses—Academy, 7; Gettysburg, 11. Referee, Atkinson. Umpire, Rupp.

## A Card of Appreciation.

To much praise cannot be awarded Mrs. Paul Wagner, who left her own home and its duties to assume the household work and nursing of the fever cases in the home of Mrs. John Brubaker near Knobsville, who has been so sorely afflicted in the loss of her husband and so severely taxed in nursing her two sick children while at the same time trying to care for the live stock on the farm. Through Mrs. Wagner's efforts the house has been put in an excellent sanitary condition and all signs now point to the recovery of the children who are now sick. A Carnegie medal would be well bestowed in this case—the woman who voluntarily assumes the drudgery of farm work and the nursing of contagious disease is a heroine of no common order.

## Result of Spring Election.

Judge of election, J F Kendall, r, 59; Emanuel Keyser, d, 82. Inspectors, James K Cooper, r, 45; W. E. Ott, d, 91. School directors, J F Johnston, r, 47; R W Mellott, r, 41; Samuel Mellott, d, 96; George Humbert, d, 92. Township clerk, D H Comer, r, 56; Biddis Lynch, d, 88. Supervisors, R M Kendall, r, 52; B W Logue, r, 65; Ahimaz Clevenger, r, 63; A M Richards, d, 98; Walter Sappington, d, 67; Ellsworth Hendershot, d, 74. Auditors, W C Patterson, r, 42; Conrad Glazier, d, 99. Treasurer, David Morton, d, 95; Chas Nesbit, r, 4.

## BELFAST.

Judge, Scott Bumgardner, r, 74; J L Hess, d, 56. Inspectors, J W Deshong, r, 68; Logue Hess, d, 60. School directors, Milton Mellott, r, 82; Ed Strait, r, 72; H K Hill, d, 47; Job Plessinger, d, 54. Township clerk, Reuben S Mellott, r, 69; J T Laley, d, 66. Supervisors, M W Mellott, r, 80; Clayton Deshong, r, 72; Abner Lake, d, 55; A B Smith, d, 50. Auditors, J J Palmer, r, 72; J A Truax, d, 60. Justice of the peace, S L Wink, r, 72; Howard L Mellott, d, 59. Overseers, Riley Hess, r, 66; W H Peck, r, 65; H H Deshong, d, 55.

## BETHEL.

Judge, Wm Bishop, r, 52; Scott Deneen, d, 66. Inspectors, J P Fisher, r, 52; H S Mellott, d, 67. School Directors, H P Palmer, r, 55; S M Andrews, r, 58; A J Remsburg, d, 59; C H Hess, d, 64. Township Clerk, Ed Golden, r, 48; G J Mellott, d, 65. Supervisors, A R Hixson, r, 43; Frank Ranck, r, 65; W B Stagers, d, 99; G W Booth, d, 66; J R Sharp, d, 60. Auditor, C A Ranyan, r, 51; Denton Hendershot, d, 62. Overseers, R A Keras, r, 44; Geo Myers, d, 64.

## BRUSH CREEK.

Judge, G W Conner, r, 51; Levi Smith, d, 48. Inspectors, Mahlon Barton, r, 52; W H Decker, d, 43. School directors, J M Hixson, r, 43; Owen A Barton, r, 41; John Engle, d, 56; Aaron Layton, d, 54; Supervisors, C A Stoner, r, 43; G W Hixson, r, 48; W L McKee, r, 53; Henry Sharpe, d, 56; F M Lodge, d, 50. Overseer, E D Akers, r, 44; Job Winters, d, 49. Auditors, T H Akers, r, 48; F P Plessinger, d, 47. Township clerk, P V Barton, r, 42; C T Layton, d, 58.

## DUBLIN.

Judge, Jno Foreman, r, 58; J H Baker, d, 38. Inspectors, J Kerlin, r, 48; W Orth, d, 41. School directors, J A Aller, r, 47; G W Loch, r, 44; J W Grove, d, 53; J W Snyder, d, 43. Township clerk, J C McGowan, r, 55; A J Fore, d, 38. Supervisors, Jas Keabaugh, r, 52; Scott Ramsey, r, 57; Dyson Fraker, r, 51; J A Long, d, 40. Auditors, J W Fraker, r, 52; D C Fleck, d, 38. Overseers, Wilson Cline, r, 51; John Gillis, r, 49; J H Fields, d, 41. Justice of the peace, T C Gillis, r, 34; Benjamin Wilds, r, 47; T E Fleming, d, 64; D H Myers, d, 31.

## LICKING CREEK.

Judge, G W Decker, r, 37; Baltzer Deshong, d, 70. Inspectors, L I Deshong, r, 40; J C Mellott, d, 71. School directors, S S Hoop, r, 36; R R Hann, r, 42; T R Hockensmith, d, 69; R P Schooley, d, 74. Township clerk, A K Deshong, r, 42; Roy M Stipes, d, 65. Supervisors, F Decker, r, 37; J F Dishong, r, 52; Sheridan Hann, r, 34; H M Strait, d, 67; W A Val-lance, d, 60; E R Mellott, d, 72. Auditors, E V Mellott, r, 41; H H Strait, r, 33; Nevin S Strait, d, 67. Overseers, J Hann, r, 35; D E Mellott, d, 73. Treasurer, J A Stewart, d, 69.

## McCONNELLSBURG.

Judge, E D Shimer, r, 89, T J Comer, d, 37; Inspector, I D Thompson, r, 71, C F Scott, d, 47; School Director, D L Grissinger, r, 82, D E Little, r, 39, C B Stevens, d, 100; Burgess, W H Greathead, r, 51, H S Wishart, d, 71.

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## DANGER OF A CHINESE REVOLT.

Dr. Ayres Says That Students are Dissatisfied with Government.

Dr. T. W. Ayres, who has been engaged in hospital work in North China for the past five years, in connection with the Southern Baptist, arrived from the Orient last Tuesday. In discussing the situation in China, a subject of which he is well informed, he said:

"All of the trouble now brewing in China is directly attributable to a deep-seated and unconquerable antipathy toward the government. The feeling of dissatisfaction is spreading, and to my mind a revolution is imminent. The anti-foreign feeling is merely one of the expressions of the movement which has for its purpose the unseating of the Manchu dynasty and the establishment of a Republican form of government in its stead. The boycott on American goods, similarly, is an expression of the same revolutionary purpose. These things are merely the means to an end. The student class has become a numerous influential body. It is a matter of interest that among something over 12,000 students who returned to China in a body from the schools they had been attending in Tokio, had a great many unkind things to say of the rulers of their own country.

"These students, who are members of the better classes in China are responsible for the growth and propagation of the anti-foreign sentiment and for the boycott.

"The anti-foreign feeling is not directed particularly against American missionaries. The doctrine that is being spread abroad in the empire is that the foreigners are there to grab, and the Chinese can see that the missionaries are not in China to make money or grab territory."

## AN ESKIMO TRIBE.

It was Isolated for Centuries Until a Few Years Ago.

At the north end of Hudson bay is an island about the size of the state of Maine, which is called Southampton island, on which has been discovered a lost tribe of Eskimos which has been without any intercourse with human beings for centuries, and until a few years ago had never seen a white man. Apparently these people have dwelt here since before the time of Columbus. They are still in the stone age, knowing no metals. They grow no plants, and their homes are built of the skulls of whales. Their huts are built by putting together the great jaws of whales and covering them over with skins. In the middle of this dwelling is the familiar elevated place on which stands the lamp. With this they cook, light their dwelling, provide warmth, melt snow and dry their clothes. The whale is their chief means of subsistence. They use the bones in a variety of ways, even making their cups and buckets of bone, by bending it in shape and sewing on the bottom.

The tribe is composed of about fifty-eight individuals, about evenly divided between the sexes. They speak a dialect peculiar to themselves, quite unlike that spoken by any other tribes of Eskimos. A fact which shows the perfect isolation of the community is evidenced by their ignorance of soapstone. Among other tribes it is the favorite material for pots and kettles, and when they are unable to obtain it in their own neighborhood they will make long pilgrimages, lasting several years in quest of this material. But as the people of this lost tribe are ignorant of such a stone they make their receptacles from slabs of limestone, which they glue together in rectangular shapes by mixing deer's blood and grease. —New York Herald.

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## SAW THEM HANG.

Prof. B. N. Palmer Saw the Hanging of the Murderers at Ebensburg.

DEAR EDITOR:—In the columns of the NEWS, almost a year ago, you published an account of the double murder committed by Jacob Hauser in Johnstown, January 4, 1906, when he with a Filipino bowie, killed his wife and mother in law. Thinking that perhaps your correspondent who furnished the account might not think to satisfy the curiosity aroused in the readers as to the result of such a horrible deed and that a short sketch, by one who saw him expiate his crime on the gallows, might be read with interest I submit the following:

The story of the crime need not be rehearsed, as it was well told in another issue. Hauser, after a trial in court, was sentenced by Judge O'Conner, September 20, 1905, to be hanged. At the same time he sentenced Stephen Fellows of Barnesboro, an Englishman, who murdered his wife and attempted to take the life of his son. The date of the execution was fixed by Gov. Pennypacker to be February 15, 1906. The two men were each dressed in a suit of black clothes, the country's last gift to them. When they stepped from the jail the first thing they saw were the gruesome gallows, suspended from which were two strong ropes with nooses in them. Hauser, 29 years of age, with dogged step mounted the gallows first and took his place on the trap with head bowed and a terrified look in his eyes no one could tell whether he was afraid to speak or whether he feared to look at the skies above him either of which might leave him a groveling wretch vainly pleading for mercy. Fellows, 61 years of age, was escorted to his place by the deputy, and half turning around he said "I want to shake hands with Jake," and again to the Deputy. "You promised to let me try the rope first," seemingly with no thought of his pleadings the night before, when at almost 12 o'clock he called upon his maker for the first time since he committed the crime. Deputy Sheriff Bearer quickly tightened the nooses about their necks and adjusted the black caps. Then he stepped back and signaled to Sheriff Lenhart, who stood back a few feet of him. The Sheriff instantly pulled the cord that loosed the trap. All this required less than a minute and the spectators saw two bodies dangling in the air and the "mea were transformed from human beings into a part of the great mystery beyond." The sun was shining brightly above. "How many of those who saw justice meted out failed to think of the sudden change for the two murders, from light and sunshine, to darkness, doubt, and mystery.

As we turned from the scene I could not help but wonder what failure had been in the lives of the unfortunate men, by those who had charge of their early training. Could it be said that parent or teacher had failed to instill in them a love for right, an insatiable desire for good, an unmistakable respect for truth? Did the teacher fill their minds with such gems as

Do not look for wrong or evil  
You will find them if you do.  
As you measure to your neighbor  
He will measure back to you.  
Look for goodness look for goodness  
You will find it all the while.  
If you bring a smiling visage  
To the glass, you will meet a smile.

Is there not a lesson in the sad affair which we might use to turn the current of some soul into the channels of truth and right? If there is I will gladly submit this article trusting that it may cause some parent or teacher to pause and think what kind of fiber is being built into the character of children, as they enter life for all the years to come.

S. W. Kirk, Esq., and Sheriff Alexander, spent Friday and Saturday in Brush Creek township, on business.

## COLD MARCH.

According to the Predictions of the St. Louis Weather Prophet Rev. Ir. Hicks.

A Regular Storm Period is at its center on March the 1st, having its preliminary stages in western parts the last two days of February. This period is near the center of the Venus disturbance, with Moon in apogee and at first quarter. The first three to four days of March will bring low barometer, higher temperature, and wide areas of cloudiness, rain and snow, all of which will pass rapidly from west to east across the country. Rising barometer and cold westerly gales will bring up the rear of these storms, giving cold, bleak weather to most parts from about the 3rd to the 5th.

Reactionary storms and storm conditions will be central on the 6th, 7th and 8th, almost filling the days between the first and third storm periods with unsettled, threatening and stormy weather. The combined Earth and Venus forces are liable to cause storms and storminess any time in this part of the month.

The Regular Storm Period covering the 10th to the 14th, central on the 12th, in every probability will prove one of the most tempestuous and violent storm periods of the month. The Moon is full on the 10th, on the equator on the 12th, and in perigee on the 13th. This is also at the exact time, annually, when the Earth reaches a crisis in electric and magnetic perturbations, the caused of which we will fully enter into in our discussions during 1906. As early as the 10th, the barometer will fall to threateningly low readings in western and southern sections, the temperature will become close and humid, and during the 11th, 12th and 13th, violent storms of rain, wind and thunder will sweep over many parts of the country. On the south to eastern flanks of these storm areas, tornadoes will be a most natural result. Watch for such developments wherever the barometer is low, the temperature high, with active and ominous storm clouds gathering. On and touching the 12th and 13th dangerous gales and tidal waves should be anticipated along the gulf and Atlantic coasts. Earthquake disturbances will also be reported from various parts of the Earth within sixty hours of noon on the 12th. At the winding up of these storms, severe blizzards, high barometer and cold wave will rush down from the northwest. This is one of the dangerous periods to all in the open west who have extensive live stock interests exposed to storm and weather. Remember this!

A Reactionary Storm Period is on the 17th, 18th and 19th. This period is near the center of Earth's equinox, with the Venus period still in active force, and the Moon at first quarter. On and touching the 18th and 19th, falling barometer, rising temperature, cloudiness and return of rain and snow may be expected. Cold, crisp weather for the season will be the general order from about the 19th to the 22nd. About the 22nd, in western parts, a marked change to warmer will set in, attended by decided falling of the barometer. As these conditions advance eastward they will grow in area and intensity, cloudiness will ensue and storms of rain, wind and thunder will touch wide paths in their eastward sweep. These storms will be at their crisis from about Saturday to Monday, the 24th, 25th and 26th.

Quite cold weather for the last of March will be very general from about the 26th to the 29th, the cold, like the storms that preceded it, being progressive from west to east.

A Reactionary Storm Period is central during the last three days of the month. This period will bring a prompt return of storm

## A Fatal Accident.

Our Clear Ridge correspondent sends us the following account of the sad death of Harry W. Welch, of Burnt Cabins:

"On Sunday morning about 8 o'clock, Harry W. Welch, of Burnt Cabins, was found dead at the bridge near his home. His body was lying partly in the water. His skull was crushed. His parents thought, as he had not returned home on Saturday night, that he had remained all night with another young man in town. On Sunday morning his brother started out to look for him, and found him lying beside the bridge dead. Calling some other men, Roy McGehee, thinking he was still alive, pulled him out of the water. They at once telephoned for Dr. Hill, and T. E. Fleming, Esq., Justice of the Peace. Squire Fleming summoned a jury and held an inquest. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, caused by falling about five feet, over the side of the bridge, and striking his head on the sharp rocks along the side of the creek. A gash about three inches long was cut on the right side of his head.

The last seen of him alive was on Saturday night about 11 o'clock, by John North and a young man named Bromine, who had accompanied him to his father's gate, and instead of going into the house, he returned to town.

He had been away from home for the past two years, working on the Telephone line, and had come home on a visit about two weeks ago. He was a son of Edward Welch, and leaves his parents and one sister, Miss Carrie, and one brother, Blaine, to mourn his sudden death. His age was 28 years.

Interment in Burnt Cabins cemetery at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

## Death of Mrs. W. A. Akers.

Mrs. W. A. Akers died on Monday, the 19th., at her home in Brush Creek township, and was buried at the Akersville cemetery on Wednesday 21st. Her age was about 71 years. Her husband, West Asa Akers, died about five years ago.

Mrs. Akers was a daughter of Ephraim Hixson. Surviving her are the following sisters: Mrs. Harvey Akers, of Akersville; Mrs. Hanks, of Emmaville; Mrs. N. J. Jackson, of Everett, and one brother, Amos Hixson. The following children also survive her: Erasmus, Frank, Charles, Frances, and Jennie, of Kansas; Elliott H. of Bethel township; Hixson E., and Minnie of Bedford county, and Lerie, of Iowa. One son, Alvah, of Licking Creek township, preceded her to the Spirit land.

conditions, which conditions always begin in western sections of our continent and move normally eastward to the Atlantic. "Storm conditions" mean that the temperature shall react to warmer, winds shift to southerly and easterly, the barometer fall, with more or less increase of humidity and growing cloudiness. Such conditions as these, scientifically considered, constitute in reality a regular, "official" storm, and they are accordingly charted on the "official weather maps" as regular storms. With this class of official dignitaries deadly tornadoes, with no general low barometer, would be no storms at all in their records, while the passage of very low barometers, with no clouds, wind and rain, would go down in weather bureau history as regular storms. Hence correct forecasts of storm conditions are not infrequently condemned as failures. The probabilities are that the storm conditions appearing the last three days of general rains, turning to snow along the north and west sides of storm areas. Rising barometer and colder weather will be advancing from the northwest as the month goes out, to spread eastward in the opening days of April. We believe that March as a whole will be rough and stormy above the average.

## ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

### NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

U. S. Deshong and son Wishart, spent Friday in town on business.

Stewart Strait, of Williamsport, Md., is visiting his father, H. H. Strait, at Pleasant Ridge.

George F. Metzler and son Robert, of Harrisonville, were among McConnellsburg visitors Friday.

William Paylor and wife, of the Cove, were visiting friends in the vicinity of Mercersburg, the first of this week.

Miss Blanche Morton, teacher of Locust Grove school, in Brush Creek township spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Mrs. George B. Daniels was called to Lemaster, Saturday, on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Greenwalt.

Alexander Mayne, who spent part of the winter in Hollidaysburg, has returned to his home in Fort Littleton.

Dr. J. J. Palmer, of Needmore, and Merchant J. W. Luke, made a business trip to Dunlo, Cambria county, last week.

B. W. Peck, editor of the NEWS has been confined to his bed since Thursday of last week with a severe attack of the grippe.

Mrs. Nathan Henry, of Clear Ridge, spent from Friday until Monday the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Dr. F. K. Stevens, of this place.

Miss Ada Bartoa, accompanied by her friend, Maude Deshong, of Harrisonville, spent Sunday at her home at Crystal Springs.

Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Wishart left Saturday for Johnstown, where they will spend an indefinite time with their daughter, Mrs. George Fockler.

Sheridan Hann and Scott Keg- arice, of Salvia, were profitable callers at the "News" office Monday morning. Mr. Hann, who has sold his real estate and expects to leave the county, was in making preparations to have sale.

A pleasant caller at our office on Monday was Mr. Amos Layton of Brush Creek township. Although Mr. Layton has almost reached the three score and ten mark in life's race, he is more active than many a man much younger.

District Atty. George B. Daniels, who had been spending the past few weeks visiting relatives and friends in Kansas, and investigating business inducements in other western states, returned to his home in this place last Wednesday.

### McConnellsburg's Orchestra.

Our "new possession" is a band—a genuine brass band, of a score or more of pieces—something we have not owned for "many a year." Its organization was effected last fall by a number of reliable, enterprising young men, in whom a great talent of music lay hidden. Since then they have been meeting at regular intervals for practice under the leadership of Charles Rotz, and the fine music discoursed on the streets on Feb. 22nd, was abundant proof of their appreciation and enthusiasm. In order to provide itself with a couple of additional horns, as well as other "properties," the band gave a festival on the evening of Feb. 22nd, in the old Foundry building on Second St., opposite the Jail. The refreshments were excellent in quality, and the patronage so universal that the sum realized exceeded all expectation of its promoters. The music so generously donated during the afternoon and evening, added much to the enjoyment of the day, and the "spirit of seventy-six" was evidenced in the great crowds of listeners, and profuse display of the national colors.